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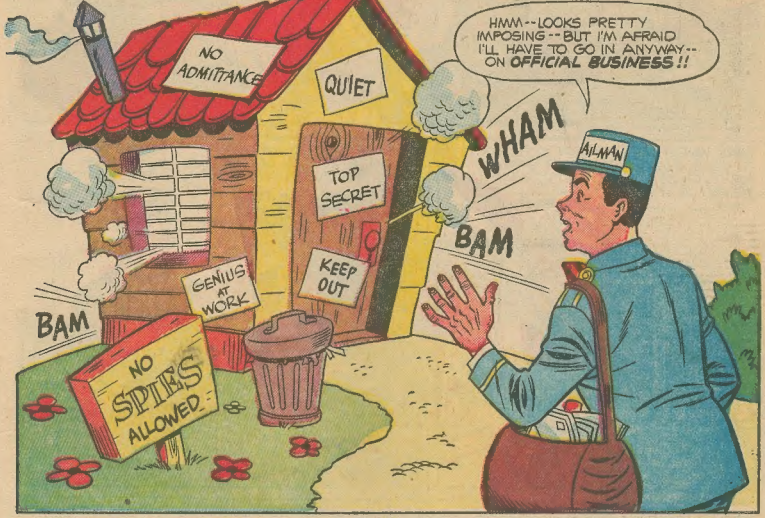
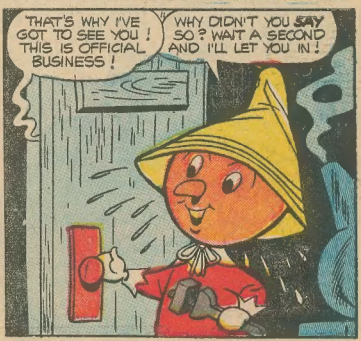
in "REGISTERED MALE" Featuring Wheezer





WHAT KIND OF OFFICIAL BUSINESS ?
A REGISTERED LETTER --YOU HAVE TO SIGN FOR IT !
TOP SECRET
KEEP OUT !
A LETTER ? WHAT A SNEAKY TRICK ! BEAT IT !
SLAM
MAN
OKAY, WHEEZER--ONLY NOW YOU'LL HAVE TO COME DOWN TO THE POST OFFICE FOR IT. CAN'T LEAVE IT UNTIL YOU SIGN FOR IT.
MERRY M
I'M SORRY, MERRY MAILMAN -- IT'S JUST THAT I'M SO BUSY ON MY NEW SUPER INVENTION !
WHAT'S THE RUSH ?
TODAY'S THE DEADLINE ! I HAVE TO DELIVER IT TO THE COURTHOUSE BEFORE THREE O'CLOCK OR IT WON'T BE CONSIDERED IN THE CONTEST !
THE COURTHOUSE ? WHAT KIND OF A CONTEST IS IT ?
A CONTEST SPONSORED BY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT'S PATENT OFFICE ! THAT'S WHY I'M SO SECRETIVE -- ONLY GOVERNMENT MEN CAN KNOW ABOUT IT !
WELL ? I'M A GOVERNMENT MAN ! ALL MAILMEN ARE !

I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT! IN THAT CASE YOU CAN SEE MY NEW SUPER INVENTION! IT'S A PONTOON BIKE-COPTER! IT RIDES— IT FLIES —AND IT FLOATS!
A NOBLE THOUGHT! WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS BIG SECRET CONTEST?
WITH THIS GADGET PARATROOPERS CAN DO THEIR JOBS AND THEN FLY BACK UP TO THEIR AIRPLANES!
IT'S ADVERTISED IN THIS NATIONAL MAGAZINE! SEE?
EITHER YOU'RE KIDDING ME OR I DIDN'T HEAR RIGHT — IN ANY CASE, I HAVE TO BE WHIPPING OFF, SO WILL YOU PLEASE SIGN THIS AND LET ME GO!
LET YOU GO? AS A GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN HELP ME GET MY INVENTION DOWN TO THE COURTHOUSE ON TIME TO ENTER THE CONTEST! I'LL SIGN FOR THE LETTER LATER!
WELL, OKAY — ONLY WHY BOTHER TO WRAP IT UP WHEN YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO FLY IT DOWN THERE?
ONLY ONE SMALL DETAIL STOPS ME --NO PILOT'S LICENSE!
WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? I'VE HAD ONE FOR YEARS!
MERRY MAILMAN

YEAAA! FASTER! FASTER!!
IF WE GO ANY FASTER WE'LL CRASH INTO THAT TRAILER TRUCK UP AHEAD!
WHO'S WORRIED ABOUT TRUCKS? WE CAN FLY OVER THEM!
I HOPE WE CAN FLY OVER THE RIVER UP AHEAD, TOO...
BECAUSE IF WE CAN'T...
UH OH! GUESS THE GLUE WASN'T DRY ENOUGH ON THOSE!
---WE'RE GOING IN!
TCH! DON'T TELL ME YOU'VE FORGOTTEN ABOUT OUR PONTOONS! I MADE THEM OUT OF TWO NAVY SURPLUS SUBMARINE TORPEDOES!
SPLASH
(CHOKE) I'M AFRAID YOUR IDEA THAT THEY WOULD FLOAT WAS ALL WET, WHEEZER...
OKAY — SO I'LL TAKE 'EM OFF — BUT I CAN STILL ENTER MY INVENTION AS AN ORDINARY MOTOR BIKE! LET'S HURRY!

I'LL ADJUST THIS SO WE'LL REALLY GET SOME SPEED OUT OF THIS TWO WHEEL MOTOR BIKE!
FINE — ONLY YOU ARE BLOCKING MY VIEW!
CRASH!
LUCK THING I HAD MY TOOL KIT WITH ME!
NEXT TIME WE'LL NEED A FIRST AID KIT!
--LIKE NOW IF WE TRY TO RIDE UP THOSE STEPS ON THIS THING! CAN'T BE DONE, WHEEZER — BUT UNLESS WE THINK OF SOME WAY TO GET UP THERE FAST YOU'LL BE LATE!
OKAY--
SCREECH
SO I'LL ENTER IT AS A MOTORIZED POGO STICK!
THIS IS GETTING UP IN THE W-W-WORLD THE HARD W-WAY!
WE MADE IT!!
WITH A MINUTE TO SPARE!
PATENTS AND INVENTIONS

YOU MADE WHAT--THAT THING ?
NO--THE CONTEST! WE MADE IT ON TIME! DIDN'T WE ?
SEE ? HERE'S THE AD! TODAY'S DATE—AND EXACTLY THIS TIME! RIGHT ?
EXACTLY—ONLY THERE'S ONE THING WRONG--
YOU'RE EXACTLY TWELVE MONTHS TOO LATE --THAT'S LAST YEAR'S MAGAZINE!
LAST YEAR? B-BUT WHY DIDN'T SOMEBODY TELL ME ? I SENT YOU A REGISTRATION BLANK AND EVERYTHING!
AND I SENT IT BACK—REGISTERED MAIL! YOU SHOULD HAVE GOTTEN IT BY NOW!
OF COURSE!
MAILMAN
THAT'S THE LETTER I'VE BEEN TRYING TO GIVE YOU ALL DAY!
OKAY—OKAY—DON'T RUB IT IN!
MERRY
HASTE MAKES WASTE—I'VE LEARNED MY LESSON, MERRY MAILMAN ...
I CERTAINLY HOPE SO, WHEEZER--I CERTAINLY HOPE SO!
MAILMAN
THE END.

THE MERRY MAILMAN
PRESENTS
LEGENDS OF
PAUL BUNYAN
GRANDPA, TELL ME A STORY ABOUT PAUL BUNYAN!
WAL,--ONE DAY OL' PAUL AN' BABE WERE A'TAKIN' A BATH--- IN TH' OCEAN O'COURSE, AS IT WERE TH' ONLY PLACE BIG ENOUGH!---
YESSIR!----AN' PAUL WAS GETTIN' MIGHTY FED ON HAVIN' TO BATHE IN TH' OCEAN ALL THE TIME!
POOH!----- THIS BLAMED SALT WATER!
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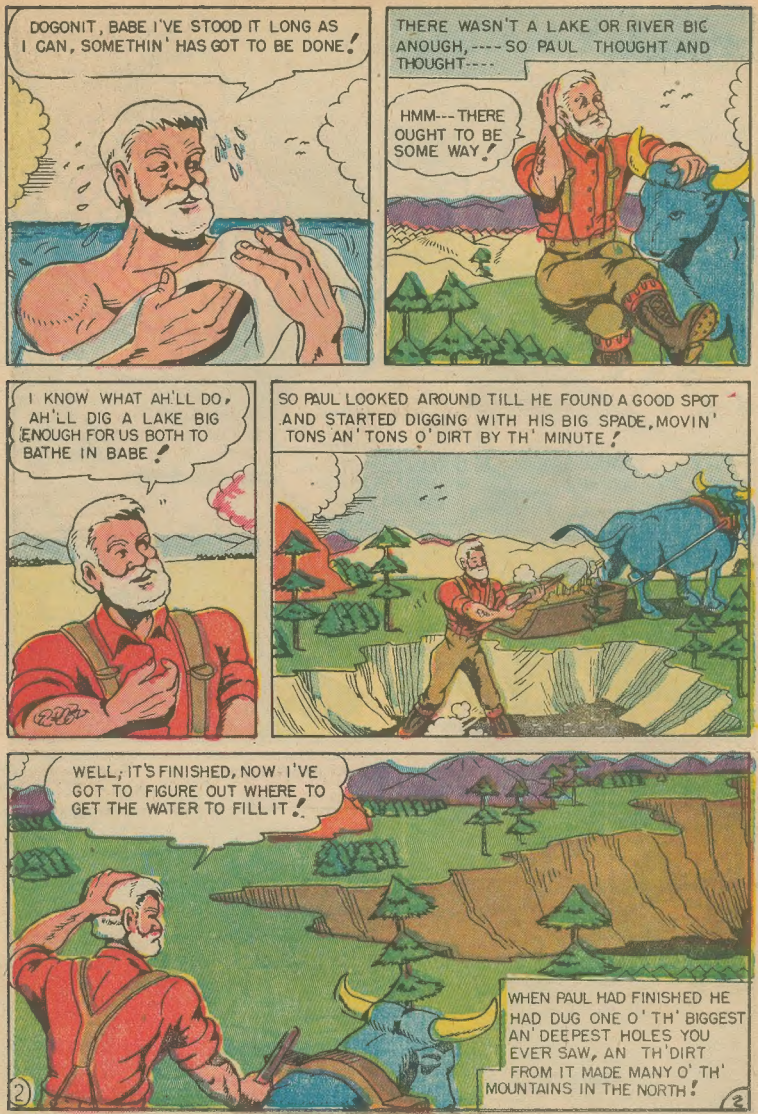
DOGONIT, BABE I'VE STOOD IT LONG AS I CAN, SOMETHIN' HAS GOT TO BE DONE!
THERE WASN'T A LAKE OR RIVER BIG ANOUGH,----SO PAUL THOUGHT AND THOUGHT----
HMM---THERE OUGHT TO BE SOME WAY!
I KNOW WHAT AH'LL DO, AH'LL DIG A LAKE BIG ENOUGH FOR US BOTH TO BATHE IN BABE!
SO PAUL LOOKED AROUND TILL HE FOUND A GOOD SPOT AND STARTED DIGGING WITH HIS BIG SPADE, MOVIN' TONS AN' TONS O' DIRT BY TH' MINUTE!
WELL; IT'S FINISHED, NOW I'VE GOT TO FIGURE OUT WHERE TO GET THE WATER TO FILL IT!
WHEN PAUL HAD FINISHED HE HAD DUG ONE O' TH' BIGGEST AN' DEEPEST HOLES YOU EVER SAW, AN TH' DIRT FROM IT MADE MANY O' TH' MOUNTAINS IN THE NORTH!
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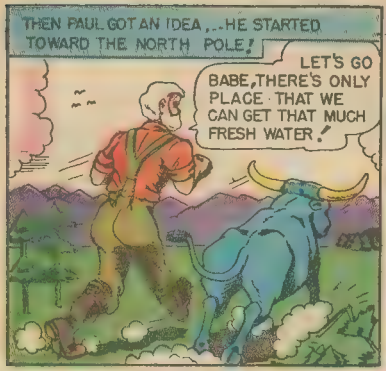
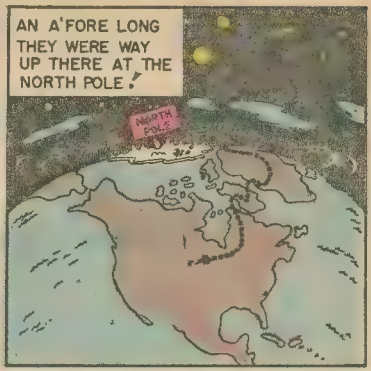
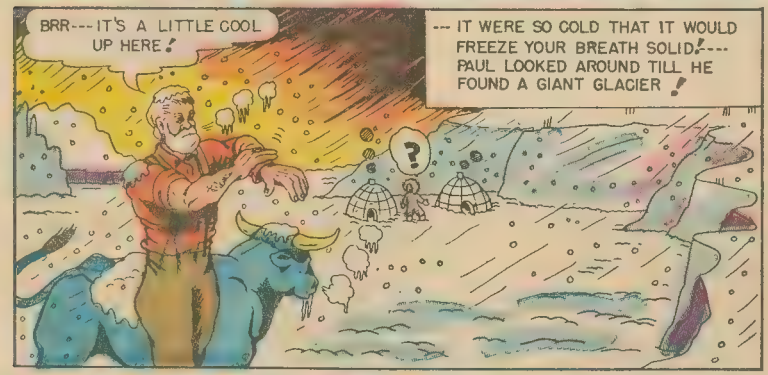

THEN PAUL GOT AN IDEA,..HE STARTED TOWARD THE NORTH POLE!
LET'S GO BABE,THERE'S ONLY PLACE THAT WE CAN GET THAT MUCH FRESH WATER!


AN A'FORE LONG THEY WERE WAY UP THERE AT THE NORTH POLE!
NORTH POLE


BRR---IT'S A LITTLE COOL UP HERE!
--- IT WERE SO COLD THAT IT WOULD FREEZE YOUR BREATH SOLID!--- PAUL LOOKED AROUND TILL HE FOUND A GIANT GLACIER!
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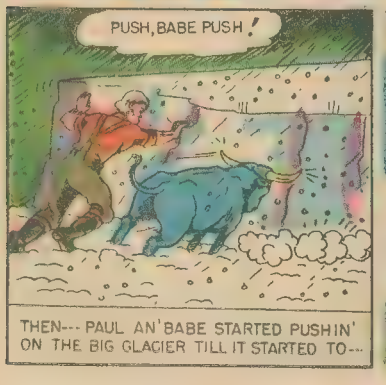
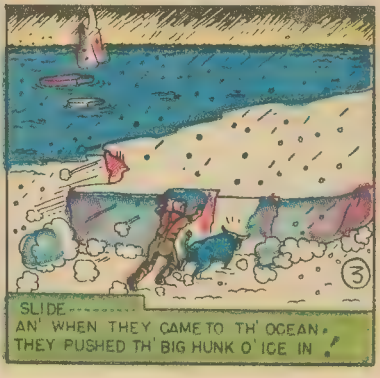

PUSH, BABE PUSH!
THEN--- PAUL AN' BABE STARTED PUSHIN' ON THE BIG GLACIER TILL IT STARTED TO---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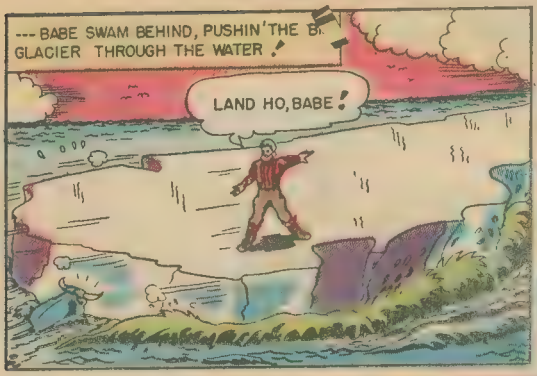
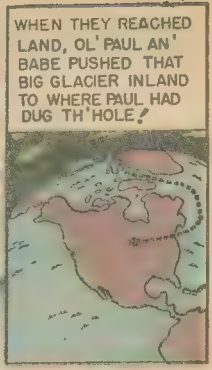
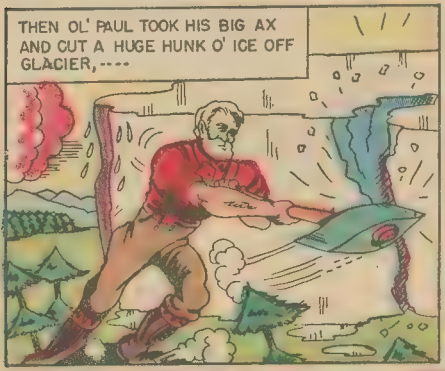
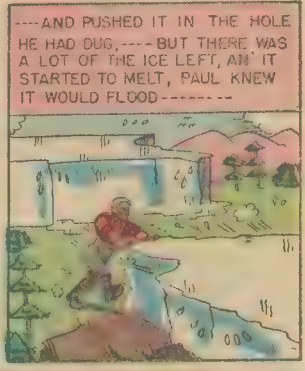
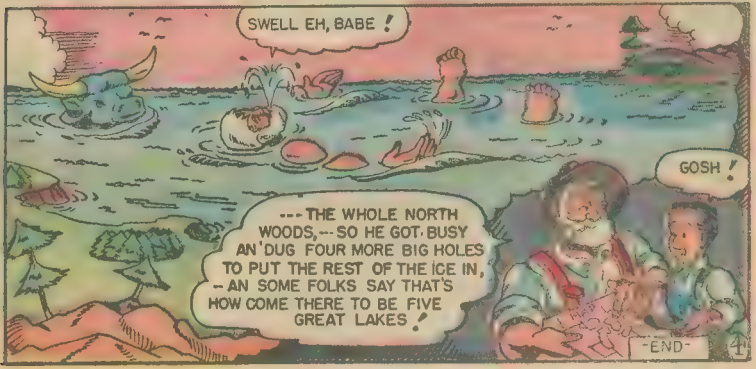
SLIDE.....
AN' WHEN THEY CAME TO TH' OCEAN, THEY PUSHED TH' BIG HUNK O' ICE IN!


--- BABE SWAM BEHIND, PUSHIN' THE BI
GLACIER THROUGH THE WATER!
LAND HO, BABE!


WHEN THEY REACHED LAND, OL' PAUL AN' BABE PUSHED THAT BIG GLACIER INLAND TO WHERE PAUL HAD DUG TH' HOLE!


THEN OL' PAUL TOOK HIS BIG AX AND CUT A HUGE HUNK O' ICE OFF GLACIER, ----


----AND PUSHED IT IN THE HOLE HE HAD DUG, ---- BUT THERE WAS A LOT OF THE ICE LEFT, AN' IT STARTED TO MELT, PAUL KNEW IT WOULD FLOOD --------


SWELL EH, BABE!
GOSH!
--- THE WHOLE NORTH WOODS, --- SO HE GOT BUSY AN' DUG FOUR MORE BIG HOLES TO PUT THE REST OF THE ICE IN, -- AN SOME FOLKS SAY THAT'S HOW COME THERE TO BE FIVE GREAT LAKES!
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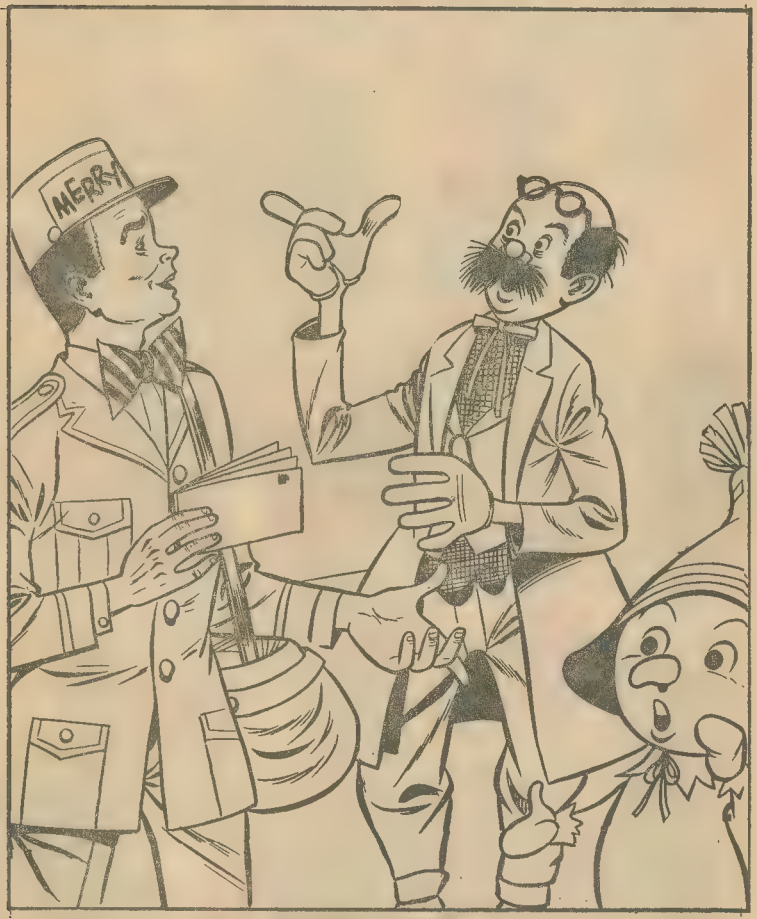

THE MERRY MAILMAN

FEATURING — LORD TWINKLEFROST

in "STRETCHING THINGS"

I'VE HEARD SOME TALL STORIES IN MY TIME, LORD TWINKLEFROST --BUT THIS ONE TAKES THE COOKIES! YOU ARE KIDDING, AREN'T YOU?
MERRY
I'VE NEVER BEEN MORE SERIOUS IN MY LIFE, MERRY MAILMAN!
OTTENHEIMER
I NOT ONLY INVENTED THE ELEPHANT — I INVENTED THE GIRAFFE, TOO!
(AHEM!) ISN'T THAT STRETCHING THINGS A BIT?
MAILMAN
I DON'T BLAME YOU FOR BEING SKEPTICAL, MERRY MAILMAN — BUT I DID INVENT THOSE ANIMALS — AND BY GOLLY — I'M PREPARED TO PROVE IT!
THIS, BY GOLLY, I GOTTA SEE!
MAILMAN

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I'LL NEVER FORGET HOW IT HAPPENED...IT WAS ONE OF MY MANY BIG GAME EXPEDITIONS TO THE DARK CONTINENT OF AFRICA.
THE WHOLE THING SOUNDS LIKE A BIG GAME SO FAR!
MAILMA
AS USUAL, I HAD SET OUT A SERIES OF VERY POWERFUL LOOP TRAPS...POWERFUL ENOUGH TO CATCH AND HOLD THE ANIMAL BUT CAREFULLY RIGGED SO AS NOT TO KILL!
THAT'S RIGHT— I REMEMBER YOU DID BRING BACK MOST OF YOUR ANIMALS FOR ZOOS AND CIRCUSES...
TRUE— BUT THIS TIME I CAME DOWN WITH JUNGLE FEVER— AND INSTEAD OF EMPTYING THE TRAPS THE FOLLOWING MORNING— I DIDN'T GET BACK TO THEM FOR A WEEK!
I WAS AFTER THE WILD HORSES AND HIPPOS— AND I DID CAPTURE ONE OF EACH— BUT UGH! WHAT TERRIBLE SHAPE THEY WERE IN!
THE POOR HIPPO HAD BEEN SNARED AROUND THE NOSE— AND THE POWERFUL LOOP HAD PULLED AND PULLED UNTIL HIS POOR NOSE WAS OVER TWELVE FEET LONG!
DON'T TELL ME!
MAILMAN
YES INDEED! I RELEASED THE POOR THING— A FREAK THE NATIVES NAMED EL-E-PHANT- WHICH PROBABLY MEANS "LONG NOSE!" ITS DESCENDANTS HAVE KEPT THE NAME TO THIS DAY!
I HATE TO ASK— BUT WHAT ABOUT THE WILD HORSES?
RV MAILMAN
CAUGHT ONE AROUND THE NECK--STRETCHED IT OVER TEN FEET! SAME STORY....
AND THE NATIVES CALLED IT GEE-RAFF! WHICH MEANS "DIG THAT CRAZY NECK!"
MAILMAN

I'M SORRY, LORD TWINKLEFROST, BUT I'M STILL INCLINED TO WONDER AT YOUR STORY. IT COULD HAVE BEEN A BAD DREAM, YOU KNOW — FROM THE JUNGLE FEVER!
STILL DUBIOUS, EH? VERY WELL — I'LL SHOW YOU PROOF POSITIVE!!
MERRY
IT JUST SO HAPPENS I'VE BEEN HAVING TROUBLE WITH SQUIRRELS IN MY ATTIC — SO I'VE SET ONE OF MY FAMOUS POWERFUL LOOP TRAPS BEHIND THE HOUSE IN MY BACK YARD HERE ---
SOUNDS REASONABLE...BUT WHAT WILL THIS PROVE?
GREAT SCOTT! I'VE DONE IT AGAIN!
LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE CAUGHT YOURSELF A DOG...
YES (CHOKE) BUT LOOK AT THE SHAPE HE'S IN! THE POOR ANIMAL IS OBVIOUSLY STRETCHED TWICE ITS NATURAL LENGTH!
THIS CERTAINLY PROVES MY STORY, DOESN'T IT?
IT PROVES EVERYTHING AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED! BE GOOD, LORD TWINKLEFROST --I HAVE TO WHIP OFF NOW!
ARE YOU KIDDING, MERRY MAILMAN? THAT DOG WASN'T STRETCHED! IT'S A COMMON ORDINARY DACHSHUND!
MERRY MAIL
I KNOW — BUT WHY SPOIL HIS FUN? WE ALL HAVE A BIT OF FANTASY WE HAVE TO LIVE WITH...
TRUE — BUT I STILL THINK STRETCHING GIRAFFES AND ELEPHANTS IS GOING A TEENTSIE BIT TOO FAR — EVEN FOR THE GREAT LORD TWINKLEFROST!
THE END

MERRY MAILMAN'S COLORING PAGE

BACKWARD LAND

SAMMY Squirrel looked in the kitchen where his mother was baking a nut-pie.

"Mgoinanplay," called Sammy.

"Sammy!" his mother said. "What did you say? I couldn't understand a word."

"I'm going out and play," repeated Sammy, walking out the door.

"Goodness, Sammy," Mrs. Squirrel said. "You must learn to speak distinctly. One can never understand a word you say."

"Gotagomate," Sammy said. "Felsrwaitn."

"Sammy," said Mrs. Squirrel. "Come right back here and repeat what you said."

"I've got to go. I'm late," Sammy said distinctly. "The fellows are waiting."

Mrs. Squirrel shook her finger at Sammy. "You're going to have to speak so others can understand you," she told him. "You're just too lazy to speak distinctly, that's all! That mumbling is very annoying. One has to strain the ears trying to guess what you are saying."

Sammy's mother was right. He never bothered to pronounce his words clearly. For him it was easier to slur words together. Sammy didn't really see why folks made such a fuss about speaking distinctly. *Golly*, he thought, *it's an awful lot of trouble saying each syllable correctly and speaking clearly.*

As he hurried down the street toward the sand lot where his playmates were waiting for him, Sammy met his Uncle Cyrus.

"Is your mother at home?" asked Uncle Cyrus.

'Shzbaknuhpie," retorted Sammy. "Slong."

"Eh? What's that, Sammy?" Uncle Cyrus asked. "Couldn't understand a thing you said. Why don't you speak plainly, Sammy?"

"She's baking a pie," Sammy repeated. "So long. That's what I said."

"You've got to learn to open your mouth so that when you speak the words aren't muffled in your throat, Sammy," his Uncle said angrily as he stalked off.

"Huh!" Sammy muttered, half-aloud. "I can understand myself. Speak clearly, speak clearly! That's all I hear! I won't do it! I talk all right just the way I do!"

Suddenly Sammy felt as if he were sitting on a large spinning top. Round and round he whirled at top speed getting dizzier by the minute. He thought he heard himself cry out before he was plunged into inky blackness. A hard bump made his head ring and jarred his bones, just before Sammy opened his eyes to find the blackness was gone and he was seated on the ground. But he was in the strangest place! All around him were rocky hills with trees that were growing upside-down!

"That's him!" Sammy heard a voice say and he turned around to find himself staring at two strangers. If he hadn't been scared, Sammy might have laughed out loud at them because they were so comical looking. They were both tall and skinny, with lots of wild hair. They looked, Sammy thought, sort of like two floor-mops standing on end.

"Welcome to Backward Land," one of the fellows said. I'm ymmoT and my friend is reteP. Now that we've told you where you are our job is finished and you'll have to shift for yourself."

They stood there and looked haughtily at Sammy whose brow was wrinkled in puzzlement and anxiety.

"Your yommT and he's reteP," Sammy said. "What funny names. But how did I get here? Why am I here? I never heard of this place."

The one who called himself yommT pointed beyond some rocks not far off. "s'nwoT thgir revo ereht," he said. "emoC no."

Sammy gulped. "What did you say?" he asked. "I couldn't understand a word." But the others were already stamping off toward the rocks and so Sammy decided it would be best to follow.

Reaching the rocks, they made a sharp turn on a sandy road and Sammy found himself in a little village. Other strange looking folks stood about the village and watched him as he entered. One of them, a round little fellow, that resembled a small bottle cork, called out to Sammy.

"e m o c l e W," he called. "ll'uoY ekil ti ereh."

"Wh-What?" Sammy stammered. "I couldn't understand you at all." The other shook his head sadly. "ooT dab," he said.

Sammy was suddenly clapped on the back and he turned to see the tall, skinny one called yommT, raising a hand to the other villagers. Holding Sammy by the shoulder, he began,

"ruO dneirf, ereh, lliw teg desu ot efil ni drawkcaB dnaL," he said.

"Wait!" shouted Sammy.

"Say that again! I can't understand a word you said." But the other went right on talking in his old way.

"yaP on deeh ot mih, srobhgien," he said. "eH yllaer t'nseod erac tuoba gniklat ylnialp."

Sammy clapped his hands to his ears and started to run. "I can't stand it!" he cried. "I'm getting out of here. I can't stay with folks who talk so they can't be understood." But his path was quickly blocked and he felt himself being held by strong arms.

"Please let me go," he pleaded. "Let me go home!" The fellow who looked like a bottle cork addressed Sammy. "You've got to stay here," he said. "Boys and girls who don't like to speak clearly live here. You're one so you have to stay here."

"That's better," said Sammy. "I can understand you now and gosh, it's a pleasure."

"It won't be for long," the fellow who resembled a bottle cork replied. "You'll have to learn to listen and understand our way of speaking. We don't think it's any worse than the way you talk."

"What's wrong with the way I talk?" bristled Sammy.

"You know very well," was the answer. "Nobody can ever understand you the way you run your words together and don't pronounce anything clearly. That's why you're here. Our listening post is specially tuned to hear the remarks of boys and girls who don't think speaking clearly is worth bothering about. That's you. You said so yourself."

Sammy suddenly tore away from his captors and nimbly darted away. "You can't keep me here!" he shouted. But Sammy's foot struck a stone and he stumbled, falling to his knees. The men who looked like a floor-mop standing on end were upon him instantly and rough hands dragged him forward.

"Il'eW tup mih ereht llit eh slooc ffo," said one, and Sammy didn't have to understand him for he saw they were dragging him toward a large iron-barred cage.

"No! No!" cried Sammy. "Stop! Please let me go home."

"Nonsense," said one of the fellows that was a copy of a floor-mop standing on end. "You'll learn how to understand us after a while. You see, we talk backwards!"

"I'll never learn to understand you," replied Sammy, tearfully. "I'll never be able to understand anything and how'll I talk to folks I can't understand?"

"You didn't seem to think about that when you were home and folks told you they couldn't understand a thing you said," was their answer.

"I know," sobbed Sammy. "But I promise I won't be lazy anymore. I'll open my mouth so that I won't mumble and I'll pronounce my syllables distinctly from now on if you'll only let me go."

The tall, skinny one looked at the others.

"IlahS ew ekat sih drow?" one of Sammy's captors asked the others.

"seY," replied the one who could be mistaken for a bottle cork. "fI eh speek gnikaeps yldab ruo gninetsil tsop lliw raeh mih." The tallest floor-mop standing on end, turned to Sammy.

"We'll let you go," he told Sammy. "But remember, start to get lazy again and not pronouncing your words so folks can understand you, and pronto! you'll be right back here . . . for good!"

"Oh, thank you," Sammy breathed. "Don't worry. I've an idea now what it's like listening to folks talk so they can't be understood."

The tall, floor-moppish looking fellow raised an arm, circled it three times in the air and Sammy was plunged into blackness again. Once more he felt himself whirling round and round and then, with a BUMP! he found himself in his backyard. His mother stuck her head out the window and saw him there. "Sammy," she said; "you're back in time for supper, for once. Come right in and wash up. Supper's on the table."

Sammy walked into the house and he was never so glad to be home.

"I'm hungry," he said. "Hope there is lots to eat tonight."

"What did you say?" began Mrs. Squirrel, and then she stopped short and looked at Sammy. "Why . . . why, Sammy," she said. "I understood every word you said." Sammy just smiled happily and vowed to himself that it'd be that way from then on. Speaking distinctly, he found, didn't demand much effort after all.

To decode the sentences of Backward Land write out words backwards

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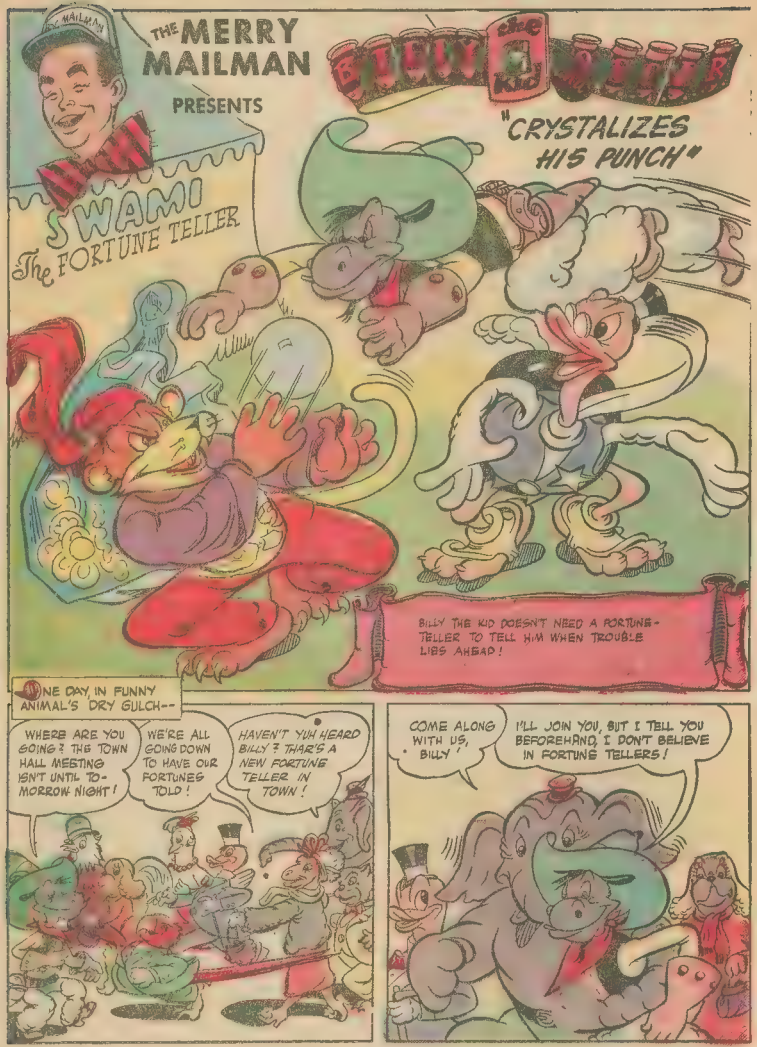
THE MERRY MAILMAN
PRESENTS
SWAMI
The FORTUNE TELLER
BILLY the KID
"CRYSTALIZES HIS PUNCH"
BILLY THE KID DOESN'T NEED A FORTUNE-TELLER TO TELL HIM WHEN TROUBLE LIES AHEAD!
ONE DAY, IN FUNNY ANIMAL'S DRY GULCH--
WHERE ARE YOU GOING? THE TOWN HALL MEETING ISN'T UNTIL TOMORROW NIGHT!
WE'RE ALL GOING DOWN TO HAVE OUR FORTUNES TOLD!
HAVEN'T YUH HEARD BILLY? THAR'S A NEW FORTUNE TELLER IN TOWN!
COME ALONG WITH US, BILLY!
I'LL JOIN YOU, BUT I TELL YOU BEFOREHAND, I DON'T BELIEVE IN FORTUNE TELLERS!

STEP RIGHT UP, FOLKS! MY CRYSTAL BALL FORETELLS FUTURE!
SWAMI THE CRYSTAL GAZER
OH, DEAR! THIS IS GOING TO BE JUST TOO WONDERFUL!
STEP A LITTLE CLOSER, FOLKS! I'LL NOW GIVE A FREE DEMONSTRATION!
MY CRYSTAL BALL TELLS ME THAT YOU'RE ALL GOING TO A MEETING IN TOWN HALL TOMORROW NIGHT!
GEE, THE SWAMI REALLY CAN TELL WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN!
SHUCKS! EVERYONE KNOWS THAT!
BUT MY CRYSTAL BALL SHOOTS RED SPARKS! THAT MEANS THE TOWN HALL WILL GO UP IN FLAMES!
GOSH! DID YOU HEAR THAT, RONNY! WE'D BETTER NOT GO THEN!
I DON'T WANT TO BURN! I'M GOING TO STAY AWAY!
NO CRYSTAL BALL CAN LOOK INTO THE FUTURE! THERE'S NO SENSE IN STAYING AWAY JUST BECAUSE OF WHAT THE SWAMI SAID!
MY CHICADEE AND I AIN'T GONNA TAKE ANY CHANCES!
WELL, I DON'T BELIEVE IN THAT HOKUM AND YOU'LL FIND ME IN TOWN HALL TOMORROW NIGHT! OH, EXCUSE ME FOR STEPPING ON YOUR TAIL!
OUCH!
THE NEXT NIGHT...
I KNEW THAT SWAMI WAS A LOT OF BUNK! ALL HE DID WAS BREAK UP A GOOD MEETING

BUT SUDDENLY...
HEY! WHAT'S THAT?
HOLY SMOKE! THE PLACE IS ON FIRE! I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE!
I GOTTA RISK BREAKING MY NECK! IT'S BETTER THAN BEING BURNED ALIVE!
GOOD BOY, PAINT! JUST WHEN I NEEDED YOU!
LOOK! TOWN HALL IS ON FIRE! THE SWAMI WAS RIGHT!
THE NEXT MORNING...
GEE, MR. SWAMI, YOUR CRYSTAL BALL TELLS EVERYTHING!
PLEASE TELL US IF IT SEES ANYTHING ELSE!
MY CRYSTAL BALL TELLS ME THAT THE DRY GULCH BANK WILL BE ROBBED TONIGHT! I ADVISE YOU ALL TO WITHDRAW YOUR MONEY AND STORE IT AT HOME!

I'M GOING TO DO WHAT THE SWAMI SAYS HE WAS RIGHT YESTERDAY!
ME, TOO!
THIS SOUNDS LIKE A TRICK TO ME! I'M GOING TO WATCH THEIR HOMES AND NOT EVEN LOOK AT THE BANK!
THE FOLLOWING MORNING...
THE SWAMI WAS RIGHT AGAIN!
WE'RE SHORE LUCKY WE TOOK OUR MONEY OUT! FROM NOW ON WE'LL ASK THE SWAMI EVERYTHING!
BOOTS & SADDLES
FUNNY ANIMAL GULCH BANK
THANK YOU, SWAMI! YOU SAVED ALL OUR MONEY!
TELL US WHAT WE KIN DO TO SHOW OUR GRATITUDE!
I DON'T WANT ANYTHING FROM YOU, FOLKS! I JUST WANT TO HELP YOU! BUT MY CRYSTAL BALL TELLS ME THAT TONIGHT THE CROOKS WILL TRY TO ROB THE MONEY FROM YOUR HOUSES!
PLEASE, SWAMI, TELL US WHAT TO DO!
TAKE ALL YOUR MONEY TO THE CEMETERY AND BURY IT THERE! THE CROOKS WILL NEVER FIND IT THERE. BUT YOU MUST STAY AT HOME TO MAKE THEM THINK YOU'RE WATCHING YOUR MONEY!
THE NEXT MORNING..
GEE, THE SWAMI WAS WRONG! OUR HOUSES WEREN'T ROBBED!
LET'S GIT DOWN TO THE CEMETERY AND PICK UP OUR MONEY!
THE MONEY IS GONE!
LET'S GIT BACK TO THE SWAMI! MAYBE HE KIN TELL US WHO TOOK IT!
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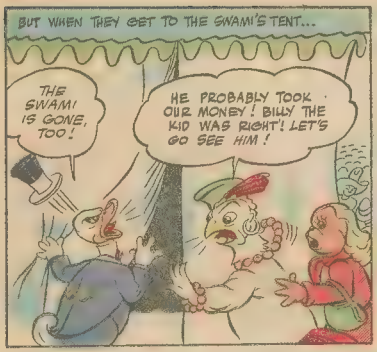
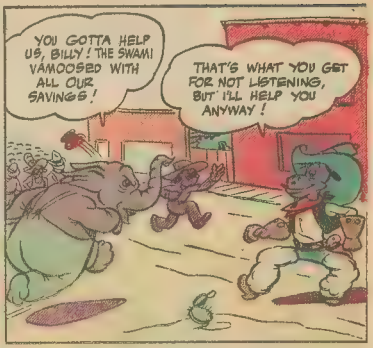
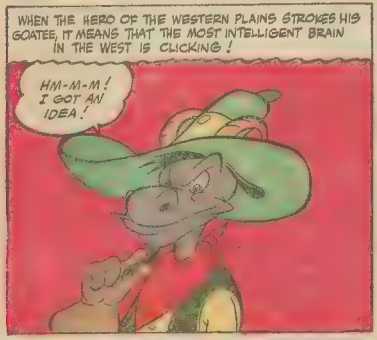
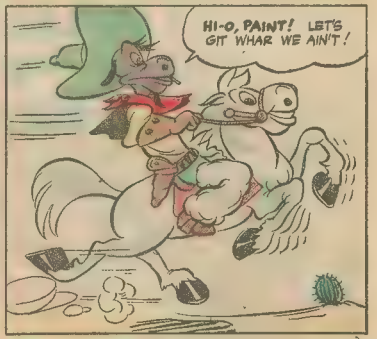
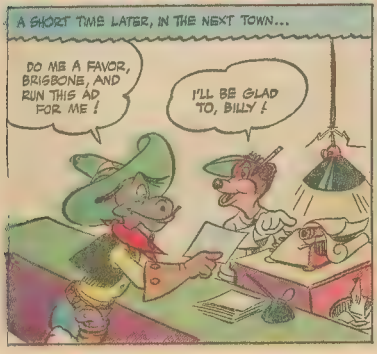

BUT WHEN THEY GET TO THE SWAMI'S TENT...
THE SWAMI IS GONE, TOO!
HE PROBABLY TOOK OUR MONEY! BILLY THE KID WAS RIGHT! LET'S GO SEE HIM!


YOU GOTTA HELP US, BILLY! THE SWAMI VAMOOSED WITH ALL OUR SAVINGS!
THAT'S WHAT YOU GET FOR NOT LISTENING, BUT I'LL HELP YOU ANYWAY!


WHEN THE HERO OF THE WESTERN PLAINS STROKES HIS GOATEE, IT MEANS THAT THE MOST INTELLIGENT BRAIN IN THE WEST IS CLICKING!
HM-M-M! I GOT AN IDEA!


HI-O, PAINT! LET'S GIT WHAR WE AIN'T!


A SHORT TIME LATER, IN THE NEXT TOWN...
DO ME A FAVOR, BRIGBONE, AND RUN THIS AD FOR ME!
I'LL BE GLAD TO, BILLY!

THE NEXT MORNING...
HA, HA! WE SURE PULLED A FAST ONE ON THOSE CHUMPS IN FUNNY ANIMAL'S DRY GULCH! NOW, LET'S SEE WHAT'S GOOD IN THE PAPERS TODAY!

BOY, THIS IS FOR US! LUCKY, YOU GO SEE HER!
RICH WIDOW, WITH NO BUSINESS EXPERIENCE, HAS FORTUNE TO INVEST IN GOOD PROPOSITION. ADDRESS..10 DEPING ST.
AND LUCKY CARRIES OUT THE SWAMI'S ORDERS...
...YES, I HAVE A FORTUNE TO INVEST! WHAT IS YOUR PROPOSITION?
YOU HEARD THE EXPRESSION, "THAR'S GOLD IN THEM THAR HILLS!" WELL, WE FOUND IT!
A GOLD MINE IN THE HILLS?
THAT'S RIGHT! I'LL TAKE YOU OVER THAR! MY BOSS IS WAITING FOR US!
THEY ARRIVE AT 'THE GOLD MINE IN THEM THAR HILLS'...
HYAR'S THE RICH WIDDER, BOSS!
I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU, MA'AM!
DID YOU BRING THE MONEY WITH YOU?
YES, I DID! IT'S RIGHT IN HERE! I'LL TAKE IT OUT!
HERE IT IS!
HUH! IT'S BILLY THE KID! WE'VE BEEN TRAPPED!
YOU'RE COMING BACK WITH ME TO DRY GULCH TO GIVE BACK THE MONEY YOU STOLE! THEN YOU'RE GOING TO SIT IN JAIL! MAYBE YOUR CRYSTAL BALL WILL TELL YOU WHEN YOU'RE GOING TO GET OUT!
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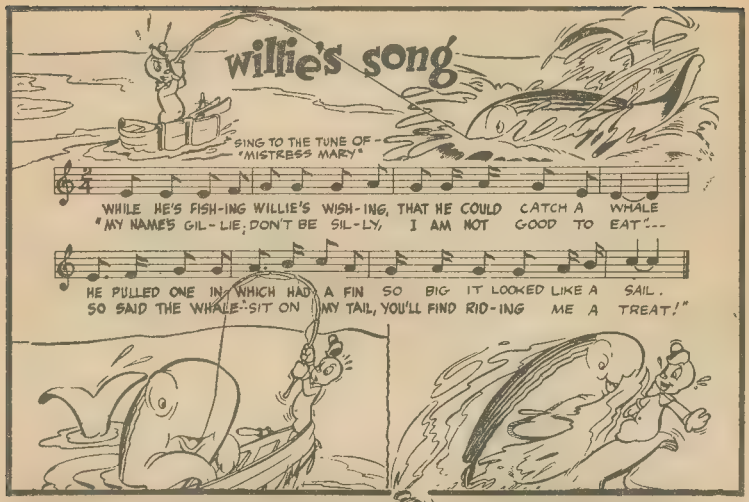
willie's song
SING TO THE TUNE OF - "MISTRESS MARY"
WHILE HE'S FISH-ING WILLIE'S WISH-ING, THAT HE COULD CATCH A WHALE
"MY NAME'S GIL-LIE; DON'T BE SIL-LY, I AM NOT GOOD TO EAT!--
HE PULLED ONE IN WHICH HAD A FIN SO BIG IT LOOKED LIKE A SAIL.
SO SAID THE WHALE--SIT ON MY TAIL, YOU'LL FIND RID-ING ME A TREAT!"

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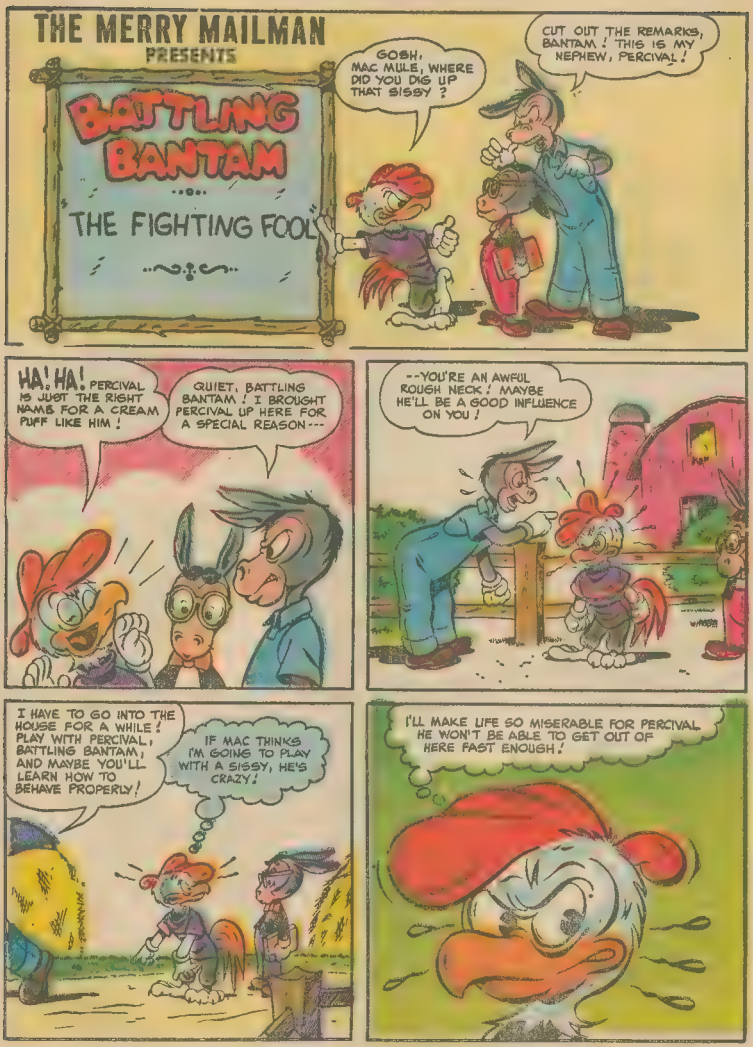
CAN YOU NAME THE TWO FAMOUS NURSERY RHYMES AND WELL KNOWN FAIRY TALE THESE THREE DRAWINGS REPRESENT?
GET OUT YOUR CRAYONS AND COLOR THESE FOLKS !!


THE MERRY MAILMAN
PRESENTS
BATTLING BANTAM
THE FIGHTING FOOL
GOSH, MAC MULE, WHERE DID YOU DIG UP THAT SISSY ?
CUT OUT THE REMARKS, BANTAM ! THIS IS MY NEPHEW, PERCIVAL !
HA! HA! PERCIVAL IS JUST THE RIGHT NAME FOR A CREAM PUFF LIKE HIM !
QUIET, BATTLING BANTAM ! I BROUGHT PERCIVAL UP HERE FOR A SPECIAL REASON---
--YOU'RE AN AWFUL ROUGH NECK ! MAYBE HE'LL BE A GOOD INFLUENCE ON YOU !
I HAVE TO GO INTO THE HOUSE FOR A WHILE ! PLAY WITH PERCIVAL, BATTLING BANTAM, AND MAYBE YOU'LL LEARN HOW TO BEHAVE PROPERLY !
IF MAC THINKS I'M GOING TO PLAY WITH A SISSY, HE'S CRAZY !
I'LL MAKE LIFE SO MISERABLE FOR PERCIVAL HE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET OUT OF HERE FAST ENOUGH !

GOSH, WHAT A NICE HAIRCUT YOU HAVE, PERCIVAL!
IT PLEASES ME CONSIDERABLY, BATTLING BANTAM, TO HAVE YOUR APPROBATION!
NEVER MIND THE FANCY TALK! SEE HOW YOU LIKE THIS!
DESIST! THIS IS MOST UNFRIEN-
THIS IS NOT THE PROPER WAY FOR A GENTLEMAN TO BEHAVE, BATTLING BANTAM! I CAN SEE YOU HAVE A LOT OF ROUGH EDGES!
READ THIS BOOK! IT SHOULD DO YOU A WORLD OF GOOD! IT'S ONE OF MY FINEST EDITIONS OF SHAKESPEARE'S CLASSICS!
ME READ SHAKESPEARE! GIVE ME THAT BOOK!
DON'T TRY TO GIVE ME ANY OF THAT HIGH-BROW STUFF!
BATTLING BANTAM! PLEASE! YOU MUST REFRAIN FROM SUCH ACTIONS!
RIP!

REALLY, BATTLING BANTAM, YOU'RE A MOST UNMANNERLY URCHIN! IF YOU PERSIST IN SUCH UNGAINLY FASHION, I SHALL BE COMPELLED TO TAKE PROPER MEASURES!
HA, HA, HA! WHAT CAN A LITTLE SISSY LIKE YOU DO! I'LL BET YOU COULDN'T EVEN LICK A STAMP, YOU CREAM PUFF!
VERY WELL, BATTLING BANTAM! YOU HAVE REQUESTED THIS!
IN A FEW MOMENTS---
GRACIOUS! WHAT'S GOING ON? IT SOUNDS AS IF SOMEBODY IS GETTING MURDERED!
POW! SOCK! HELP! HELP! BAM!
I NEVER SHOULD'VE BROUGHT PERCIVAL HERE! BATTLING BANTAM MUST BE BEATING HIM UP!
WHAM CLOUT!
HELP! STOP! I GIVE UP!
HUH! PERCIVAL IS GIVING BATTLING BANTAM THE BEATING OF HIS LIFE!
BAM! SOCK!
I TRUST THIS SHALL BE A LESSON TO YOU, BATTLING BANTAM! DON'T THINK THAT JUST BECAUSE A PERSON KNOWS HOW TO BEHAVE PROPERLY, HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO DEFEND HIMSELF!
(GULP!) THAT'S ONE LESSON I LEARNED THE HARD WAY!
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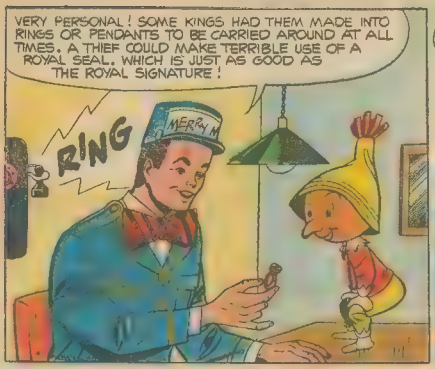
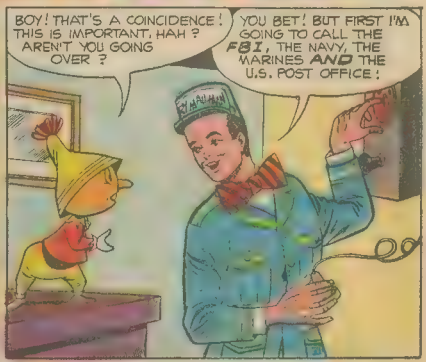
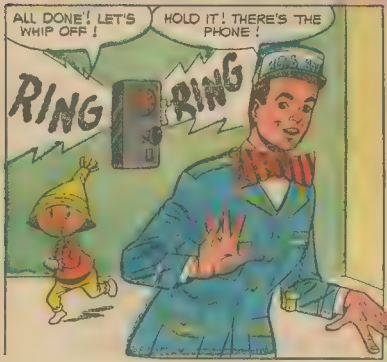
"THE MERRY MAILMAN"
in "THE ROYAL SEAL" Featuring King Orlando
CERTAINLY I COLLECT STAMPS, WHEEZER! I'M INTERESTED IN EVERYTHING ABOUT DELIVERING MAIL--ISN'T EVERYBODY?
I GUESS SO! WHERE DID STAMPS COME FROM ANYWAY?
Ollenheimer
WHERE DID THEY ORIGINATE? PROBABLY STARTED WITH THE PRACTICE OF IMPRINTING THE ROYAL SEAL ON THE SEALING WAX USED IN THE OLD DAYS, TO GLUE DOWN ENVELOPE FLAPS!
I GET IT! THEN THEY TRIED IT WITH INK, AND THAT'S HOW PRINTING WAS INVENTED!
GOOD THINKING, WHEEZER! SOME SEALS ARE STILL USED, ESPECIALLY ON IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT PAPERS. AND MOST KINGS STILL USE THEM.
EACH KING HAS HIS PERSONAL SEAL, EH?

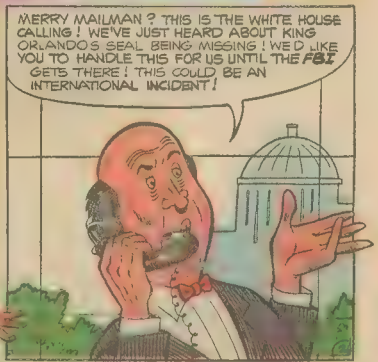

VERY PERSONAL! SOME KINGS HAD THEM MADE INTO RINGS OR PENDANTS TO BE CARRIED AROUND AT ALL TIMES. A THIEF COULD MAKE TERRIBLE USE OF A ROYAL SEAL, WHICH IS JUST AS GOOD AS THE ROYAL SIGNATURE!
RING
MERRY M

MERRY MAILMAN SPEAKING! WHO? OH, HI, KING ORLANDO! HOW ARE YOU?
RRY MAILMA

TERRIBLE? CAN YOU COME OVER RIGHT AWAY? MY ROYAL SEAL IS MISSING!
WHAT?


BOY! THAT'S A COINCIDENCE! THIS IS IMPORTANT, HAH? AREN'T YOU GOING OVER?
YOU BET! BUT FIRST I'M GOING TO CALL THE FBI, THE NAVY, THE MARINES AND THE U.S. POST OFFICE!
MAILMAN


ALL DONE! LET'S WHIP OFF!
HOLD IT! THERE'S THE PHONE!
RING
RING


MERRY MAILMAN? THIS IS THE WHITE HOUSE CALLING! WE'VE JUST HEARD ABOUT KING ORLANDO'S SEAL BEING MISSING! WE'D LIKE YOU TO HANDLE THIS FOR US UNTIL THE FBI GETS THERE! THIS COULD BE AN INTERNATIONAL INCIDENT!

I THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER GET HERE!
KEEP CALM, KING ORLANDO! WE'LL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO HELP!
DID YOU LOOK IN HERE?
YES, YES. AND I LOOKED THERE TOO, MERRY MAILMAN!
HOW ABOUT THE DESK DRAWERS?
MAILMAN
IT JUST WOULDN'T BE IN THERE, I ASSURE YOU! IT'S GONE! THAT'S ALL!
WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU SAW IT?
I KNOW THIS MIGHT SOUND SILLY, BUT I WAS USING IT TO BALANCE THE ROYAL BOOKS!
NOT AT ALL! THAT WOULD MAKE THEM OFFICIAL!
WHEN I GOT TIRED OF THAT I WENT UPSTAIRS TO FILL THE ROYAL BATH-TUB.---CAME BACK DOWN TO WAIT AND THE ROYAL SEAL WAS MISSING!
ARE YOU SURE YOU DIDN'T DROP IT IN THE TUB?
MAN
NO. I'D REMEMBER IF I DID A THING LIKE THAT! UNLESS--OF COURSE! FOLLOW ME!
TWO TANKS AND A CAR FULL OF FBI MEN HAVE JUST ARRIVED, SIR!
ASK THEM TO WAIT! I THINK WE'RE ON TO SOMETHING!

THIS FISH-SHAPED SOAP SHOULD DO THE TRICK IF I'M RIGHT!
CATCH!
IT'S HIM!
THAT'S THE ROYAL SEAL!
I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN! ORLANDO ALWAYS HAS A MASCOT OF SOME SORT!
THE ONLY THING I CAN'T FIGURE OUT IS HOW YOU USE THAT KIND OF A SEAL TO BALANCE THE ROYAL BOOKS?
ARE YOU KIDDING?
HE DOES IT ALL THE TIME!
NOW I'VE SEEN EVERYTHING!
HOW ARE YOU GOING TO EXPLAIN ALL THAT TO THE MEN FROM WASHINGTON?
CONFIDENTIALLY, I'M NOT! NO SENSE PUTTING IDEAS IN THEIR HEADS---- THERE'S ENOUGH CONFUSION DOWN THERE AS IT IS!
MAILMAN
THE END!

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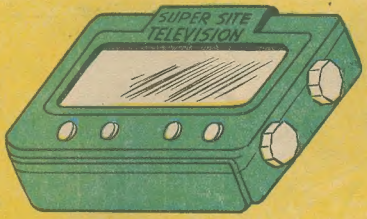

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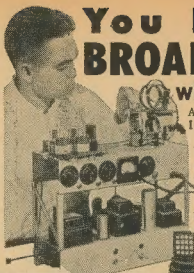

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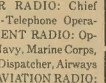

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